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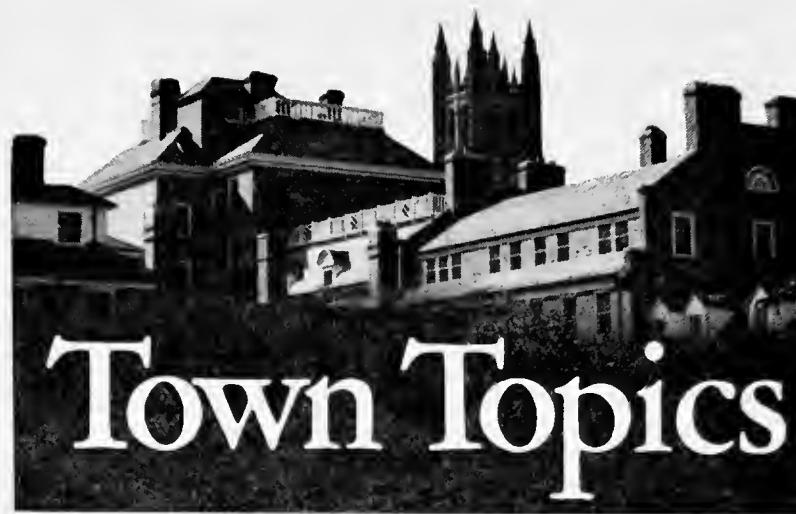
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It was early in the fall of 1915, with Palmer Stadium ready for full use, that the late George R. Murray, then Graduate Manager of Princeton Athletics, doubled his office staff and engaged Miss Connelly as a bookkeeper-stenographer. Weeks later she dropped her secretarial duties to concentrate upon ticket administration and financial affairs and to play her key role in one of the startling developments of the modern era, the growth of formalized competitive athletics.

Born in New York City, but transplanted to Trenton in infancy, Miss Connelly was the next to the oldest in a family of seven children. She left school at 14 and started clerking in a corner grocery for "about three dollars a week and lunch." For the next 17 years, as she moved on from the grocery, to a job in the decorating room of a pottery plant, to accounting positions in Trenton and finally to Princeton, she completed her training on both the secondary and advanced levels—in night classes. Even in the 1930's back to the classroom she went to study advanced accountancy at Rutgers.

Miss Connelly's memory is as long as her Princeton career. She relishes recalling the idiosyncrasies of the brawny heroes of yesteryear, the allotment of five-dollar football tickets in the lush 1920's and the away-from-home Harvard games when the entire office migrated to Cambridge on the Fall River night-boat. For 15 years she was content to take athletics vicariously but then the inevitable happened. She was bitten by a bug—the golf-bug—and next spring she will be out on the Springdale links playing 18 holes daily, something she has been doing as often as possible for some two decades.

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Topics of the Town

Christmas, 1948. Princeton proved again this week that there is many a way of giving at Christmas. From all parts of town, from the young in heart of all ages came contributions to the Town Topics Christmas Fund. They were still arriving as this issue went to press, yet in four days' time some 142 donors had given \$653.17 more than half again as much as the \$425 originally sought.

Last week, TOWN TOPICS published its second annual Christmas appeal, describing a widow and her three small children to whom death had dealt a bleak Christmas and a long, lonesome journey into 1949. As they had a year ago, Princetonians acted quickly and generously to make certain that a seemingly forgotten family felt the warmth of friendship at the time when it counted most.

Type of many notes accompanying checks received were comments indicating that donors had given to the full extent of their

ability. "I wish this check could be much bigger," wrote one woman, "but small as it is, it is sent with great hopes that your fund is a success." The pleasure of being able to help one's neighbors was expressed by another woman who wrote, "I have been waiting for your appeal to give me a chance to bring a little Christmas cheer to some family here in town."

A departmental office on the University campus took up a collection, and a gift was received again from the Pistol Club of the Princeton Police Department. A family living on a near-by farm called to say it was planning to provide a fresh-killed turkey for Christmas dinner, while others contributed clothing for the children.

Last week's appeal reported that "there are still one or two unsettled accounts, but his widow has put 'our everything' aside to make sure that all items are paid for in full." By return mail came a bill made out to the estate in the amount of \$50.48. It was marked "paid in full."

It was the contrast of the giving that was so heart-warming. The same mail that brought the receipted bill included this letter from a ten-year-old boy:

"This money is two weeks alone. I get twenty-five cents a week for helping my mother. And I'm very glad to give this fifty cents to this family. I had decided to send the money out of town. But after, I thought maybe it would be better to give to someone in Princeton. I wish them a very Merry Christmas."

Other children, some even younger, took their gifts to The Exchange and to Hinckson's. Others felt a common bond: a woman who had lost her own husband wrote with her contribution, "For the widow who is learning the uselessness of tears: 'It isn't so much life that matters as the courage you bring to it.'"

The oversubscription, of which additional details will be published next week, assures many tangible results, as well as the depth of feeling brought by a spontaneous demonstration of community good will. The need was and is great—more gifts simply mean that more can be done than had been anticipated.

Best proof of this, possibly, was the family for which the 1947 Christmas appeal was made, which—Continued on Page 6

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Bamman's endless list of delicacies can, with very few exceptions, come under the heading of "back for the first time since the war." Such welcome "returnees" include the famous Huntley and Palmer English biscuits (varying types) and the comparable Crawford products; Fortnum and Mason English Earl Grey tea; imported Edam, cheddar with imported wine, decorative, delicious pineapple cheese; and Old Colony pure maple sugar. Maillard, Sherry, Whitman and Norris are among the well-known, always good candy names; Raffetto's marrons glaces and "Zombies", intriguing cocoanut confections flavored with rum, are among the more exotic delectables.

Rosedale Mills can make you a much appreciated giver with their wonderful selection of meat, game and poultry, gift packages. These start with dainty squabs in cellophane wrapping for \$1, go up through locally-raised Guinea hens and pheasants (all edibles very few would buy for themselves, almost all would love to receive) to smoked turkeys and smoked hams packaged in aluminum foil for \$9. For your own Christmas dinner—if it still isn't settled—Mr. Bovino of the market by that name suggests ignoring tradition for the sake of your budget by enjoying ham, pork loin, lamb or roasting chicken. To amplify the reasons for his suggestion, see the price list in Bovino's ad. There too are the still-delicious Hitching Post sauces and beans. The Exchange can satisfy any sweet tooth with its homebaked —Continued on Page 7



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Wednesday night will see the first of four consecutive hockey games among Colgate, Dartmouth and Princeton. The two visiting teams oppose each other in the opening contest, the Tigers take on Colgate both Thursday and Friday and engage the invariably able Riley-paced Dartmouth sextet at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of New Year's Day. A non-league affair, it will be a rough assignment as the third game in three days.

The Nassau skaters dropped a 3-2 decision to Brown at Providence Friday in a Pentagonal League battle. Win Allegaert drew three penalties in the first period and Bob O'Connor in the goal had the tough luck to bat the puck into the cage once while attempting to clear it. Brown, which has split with Harvard, was farther along than the Orange and Black, but it may be a different story when the Rhode Islanders are here on January 7.

The interscholastic hockey tournament, with Lawrenceville as the sponsor, will include that school, Andover, Choate, Exeter, Hill, Nichols of Buffalo, Northwood of Lake Placid and Peddie. It will be staged Monday and Tuesday, January 3 and 4, in Baker Rink.

Rutgers' basketball team pleased a vociferous throng in New Brunswick when it overcame a four-point deficit at the half Friday to win going away, 65-53. The Tigers are slow in starting because Reed, Kurrus, Kearns and Sella were all playing football for a month after basketball practice began, but it is big Bernie Adams whose in & out performances to date are cause for concern.

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News of the Theatres

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A Southern Yankee (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) records the comic adventures of a Union spy in the Civil War. Red Skelton's slapstick antics are too numerous but various sequences are amusing and the pace is rarely slow.

The Paleface (Sun. thru Wed.) offers Bob Hope without Bing Crosby or Dorothy Lamour, a major oversight from which the film does not recover. Dialogue and plot (about a chicken-hearted dentist who finally takes the Wild West by storm when Jane Russell, a two-gun gal, does his shooting for him) are sometimes funny, more often thin. Produced nearly a year ago, the picture supposedly features the nation-wide hit, "Buttons and Bows," actually gives it just one chorus.

That Wonderful Urge (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) is romantic comedy featuring Tyrone Power as a reporter who writes unpleasant things about heiress Gene Tierney only to have her turn the tables on him with a neat journalistic hoax. Fair entertainment.

THE GARDEN

The Black Arrow (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) takes Robert Louis Stevenson's melodrama of 15th century England as its basis. Outlaws battle cruel landowners, duels are fought on castle ramparts, knights rescue ladies in distress in the best Hollywood tradition.

The Decision of Christopher Blake (Mon., Tues., Wed.) seeks to describe the troubled mind of a 12-year-old boy who must choose between his divorced parents. Considerable fantasy is employed to record his day-dreams of a pleasanter world. Ted Donaldson is good as the youngster but his parents (Alexis Smith and Robert Douglas) are artificial characters. The film is rarely convincing, turns saccharine in the end.

Walk a Crooked Mile (Thurs., Fri., Sat.) sends FBI agents chasing a Communist spy ring that is after atom bomb secrets. Dennis O'Keefe, Louis Hayward, Louise Albritton in a satisfactory action picture.

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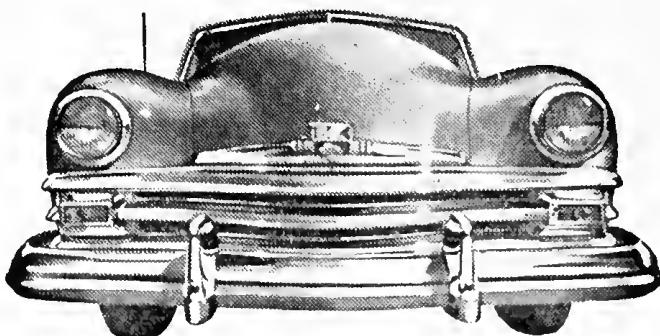
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TOPICS OF THE TOWN

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White Onions	2 lbs. 25c
Canadian Turnips	2 lbs. 15c
Mushrooms (pt. pkg.)	33c
Grapefruit	4 for 25c
Walnuts (Red Label)	49c
Red Grapes	2 lbs. 29c

THURSDAY - FRIDAY

IT'S NEW TO US

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Christmas cookies, available by the dozen or in beribboned jars. They also have gaily packaged wild rice (\$1.10 lb.), extra large, freshly salted (in Princeton kitchens) South Carolina pecans (\$1.70 lb.), imported, oversized almonds (\$1.90); a combination of both (\$1.80).

A newly-acquired all-year convenience, particularly useful for holiday celebrating, is an impressive automatic ice-making machine at Cousins Liquor Store. Continually on the job, it makes 6,000 cubes a day, any part of which Cousins will be glad to send with your liquor order for a small extra charge. What's more, the cubes themselves are something out of the ordinary. They come from the machine crystal clear and with a small hole which makes them sink to the bottom of the glass, thereby eliminating the "nose-bumping" of regular ice cubes. The half-gallon bottles of blended whiskey and gin at The Wine and Game Shop would make unusual and amusing giving. The enlarged PM is \$8.80; Kinsey, \$9.83; Seagram's 7 Crown, \$9.90; Dixie Belle gin, \$7.89; Gilbey's, \$8.15.

Miscellaneous last round-up: for your Christmas decorating a musical handmade wooden creche at The Little Clothes Line is charming for \$6.95; glittering, colorful metallic "snowflakes", usable for almost any decorative purpose, are at The Cummins Shop for 50 cents and \$1. The Oak Manor Art Galleries have a wide selection of nice plated silver objects, both useful and attractive—including such items as cut glass inkwells on serpentine-edged silver stands for \$7.50; a Colonial-type water pitcher for \$15.

The Artmount line of leather guestbooks, dairies and birthday books at The Princeton Stationery is particularly good. A \$5.50 boys' boot at Hulit's is a gift to mother as well as son, with its extra heavy-soled shoes. Frank's Bicycle Shop has, along with its complete line of Corson tricycles and Schwinn bikes, amusing accessories, such as goose horns and Junior sirens, for \$1. Last but not least comes the canine member of the family, for whom Luttmann's has a fascinating collection of rubber chewables and playables, including belled pipes, fire hydrants, dinner bells and more routing balls and bones, starting at 25 cents.

That does it! Once again, Merry Christmas to you all.

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'BLACK ARROW'
Louis Hayward - Janet Blair

Mon. - Wed. Dec. 27-29

**'The Decision of
Christopher Blake'**

Alexis Smith - Robert Douglas

Thurs. - Sat. Dec. 30-Jan. 1

'Walk a Crooked Mile'
Dennis O'Keefe
Louise Albritton

Calendar of the Week

Saturday, December 25th
11:00 a.m.: "Christ Is Born Today,"
the Rev. Dr. Frank S. Niles; First
Church.

Sunday, December 26th
7:00, 8:30, 10:00, 11:00 a.m.: Mass, St.
Paul's Roman Catholic Church.

10:30 a.m.: Sermon, the Rev. Milton J.
Nauss; Lutheran Service; Westmin-
ster Chapel.

11:00 a.m.: University Preacher, Prof.
Paul Ramsey; University Chapel.

"The Government Shall Be Upon His
Shoulders," the Rev. Lynn H. Cor-
son; Methodist Church.

Sermon, the Rev. Dr. John V. But-
ler; Trinity Episcopal Church.

"Christian Science," Lesson-Sermon;
First Church of Christ, Scientist.

Friends' Meeting for Worship; Mur-
ray-Dodge Hall, University Campus.

"The Sign of the Manger," the Rev.
Dr. Frank S. Niles; First Church.

4:00 p.m.: Church School Christmas
Pageant, Trinity Church.

8:00 p.m.: "The Coming of Christ,"
Christmas pageant presented by
young people of Church; pageant to
be preceded by Annual Church Din-
ner; Second Church.

Christmas Music, with Mary Krim-
mel at the organ; First Church.

8:15 p.m.: Evening Service; First
Church of Christ, Scientist.

8:00-10:00 p.m.: Public Skating, Baker
Rink.

Tuesday, December 28th
8:00 p.m.: Borough Council Meeting,
Borough Hall.

Wednesday, December 29th
8:00 p.m.: "Jeremiah: The Prophet of
Personal Religion," The Rev. Cor-
son; Methodist Church.

8:15 p.m.: Hockey: Colgate vs. Dart-
mouth, Baker Rink
Wednesday Evening Meeting: First
Church of Christ, Scientist.

Thursday, December 30th
9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.: Last Day for New
residents to Register to Vote in Fe-
bruary School District Elections; Bor-
ough and Township Halls.

8:15 p.m.: Hockey: Princeton vs. Col-
gate, Baker Rink.

Friday, December 31st
7:15 p.m.: Hockey: Princeton vs. Col-
gate, Baker Rink.

11:30 p.m.: New Year's Meditation, the
Rev. Dr. Charles R. Eidman; First
Church
Watch Night Service, Methodist
Church.

SPORTS IN SHORT

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having much to do with his poor
evening. He was good against Laf-
ayette but has had rough going in
three of the four games the Tigers
have played to date.

Recalling one pollster's state-
ment on September 9 that he was
through sampling and had awarded
the election to Dewey, we hesitate
briefly to make a flat prediction at
this date about Yale winning the
Eastern League title. However, the
Elis have already won two of their
toughest assignments away from
home in defeating Penn and Cor-
nell with relative ease. If they take
three of their remaining four road
games and five of six at home, they'll
finish with a 10 and 2 record,
and it's hard to figure who can
top or tie that.

Princeton edged the Blue by a
point here last Winter (on Bernie
Adams' last-second foul) but lost
65-53, at New Haven. The Tigers
will make a fight of it but Yale cur-
rently ranks as a strong favorite to
take the title Columbia is sure to
relinquish after a two-year stand.

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